GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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Scheduled Flight Operations from Defence Airports
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Airports Authority of India manages 125 aerodromes including 25 civil enclaves at defence airfields;

(b): if so, the details thereof;

(c): whether scheduled flights operations would be allowed from defence airports only if they have been certified by the DGCA, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d): whether the Government has extended the deadline upto 31.12.2017 as his Ministry and Defence Ministry are still to sort out the issues, if so, the details thereof;

(e): the steps taken by the Government to sort out these issues; and

(f): whether the Government has examined the proposal from security point of view and if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) & (b): Airports Authority of India (AAI) manages 126 airports including 26 civil enclaves at defence airfields. The details are at Annexure-1. ;;

(c) &(d): As per the Central Government notification S.O.346 (E) dated 01st February, 2017, no person shall operate schedule air transport services to/from and aerodrome including Defence Aerodromes with effect from 31st December, 2017 unless it has been either licensed (Aerodrome) or Certified (Defence Aerodrome) by the Director General of Civil Aviation.;;

(e) & (f): Government has already made an amendment to the Aircraft Rules 1937, making it mandatory to have certification of Defence Aerodromes.;